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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

*Group:* 3731 }  
*Confirmation No.:* 5422 }  
*Application No.:* 10/758,372 }  
*Invention:* SOFT TISSUE LOCKING DEVICE }  
*Applicant:* Herbert E. Schwartz et al. }  
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*Attorney* }  
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AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

In response to the July 11, 2008 Final Office Action, and contemporaneously with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.